

## IDEAS EXCHANGE EVENT

## PLANNING FOR LIVABILITY WITH THE CMAP LOCAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Dozens of communities throughout our metropolitan Chicago region have been planning their futures through CMAP's Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program, which began in March 2011. Join us on May 24 for an exciting Ideas Exchange event to learn how you can build on successes of others who are working with CMAP and partner organizations to implement the GO TO 2040 comprehensive regional plan and enhance their communities' livability, economic prosperity, and quality of life. Visit <a href="https://www.cmap.illinois.gov/lta">www.cmap.illinois.gov/lta</a> for more details.

Attendees will learn about grant opportunities such as the new LTA Call for Projects, which will be available on May 9 along with the new project application for the joint CMAP and Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Community Planning program. At the event, The Chicago Community Trust will announce grantees of its Community-Based Sustainable Development program that promotes implementation of GO TO 2040.

Elected officials, municipal planners and other staff, community-based organizations, and other nonprofit and civic organizations should attend. Panel discussions will highlight local best practices in planning for sites, sustainability, demographic change, and more from communities of many types and sizes.

CMAP's first LTA Call for Projects in 2011 prompted over 220 proposals from more than 130 municipalities, counties, interjurisdictional groups, and nongovernmental organizations. This year may be even more competitive, and priority will be given to applicants who partner with neighbor communities or other organizations. You can give your community's 2012 proposal a significant advantage by attending the May 24 event.

May 24, 2012 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

## UBS Tower 1 N Wacker Drive 2nd Floor Chicago, IL 60606

The LTA program is funded through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Sustainable Communities Initiative.

## Space is limited, so register now!

Local governments and other public agencies: First guest free, additional guests **\$40** 

Nonprofits and philanthropic groups: First guest free, additional guests **\$40** 

Consultants, private firms, and individuals: \$40

For more details or to RSVP online, visit <a href="https://www.cmap.illinois.gov/lta">www.cmap.illinois.gov/lta</a>. Questions? Contact Yesenia Ambriz at <a href="mailto:yambriz@cmap.illinois.gov">yambriz@cmap.illinois.gov</a> or (312) 386-8660.



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